- 13. In all criminal actions where sentence has been suspended by the court the defendant shall have a right to appeal to the Court of Appeals under Section 12 or Section 12A of this article in the same manner as if sentence or judgment had been entered in said action.
- 14. The State may appeal to the [Court of Appeals] Court of Special Appeals from a final order or judgment granting a motion to dismiss, or quashing or dismissing any indictment, information, presentment or inquisition in a criminal action, but the State shall have no right of appeal in any criminal action where the defendant has been tried and acquitted.
- In any criminal action other than one where a sentence of death has been imposed where a defendant who has been convicted or sentenced by a circuit court of a county or the Criminal Court of Baltimore has a right to appeal to the [Court of Appeals] Court of Special Appeals under Section 12 or Section 12A of this article, and has filed an order for appeal pursuant to and within the time limited by the Maryland Rules of Procedure, the defendant, if unable by reason of poverty to pay the cost of an appeal to the Court of Appeals Court of Special Appeals, may file with the court imposing the sentence a petition under oath alleging the fact of his poverty and his inability to defray the expense of prosecuting an appeal. The lower court upon being satisfied that such defendant is unable by reason of poverty to defray the expense of prosecuting an appeal to the [Court of Appeals] Court of Special Appeals shall sign an order directing that all costs, including but not limited to all court costs, the cost of preparing the transcript of testimony, the cost of preparing and transmitting the record, and the costs of the briefs, appendices and printed record extract necessary in connection with the appeal shall be paid by the State of Maryland and that the record be transmitted to the [Court of Appeals] Court of Special Appeals at the expense of the State. A copy of such order shall be included in the record transmitted to the [Court of Appeals] Court of Special Appeals and the payment of all filing fees to the Clerk of the Court of Appeals Court of Special Appeals in connection with the appeal shall be waived. If counsel prosecuting such appeal on behalf of the defendant has been appointed as such counsel by the court imposing sentence or by the Court of Appeals Court of Special Appeals, the [Court of Appeals] Court of Special Appeals may allow to such counsel a fee in such amount as the Court shall think proper for his services in connection with such appeal, such fee to be paid by the State.
- 15B. In any criminal action where a defendant has a right to file a petition for a writ of certiorari in the Court of Appeals under Section 21A of this article, the defendant, if unable by reason of poverty to pay the costs incident to petitioning the Court of Appeals for a writ of certiorari, may file with the Court of Special Appeals a petition under oath alleging the fact of his poverty and his inability to defray the expense of filing a petition for a writ of certiorari. The Court of Special Appeals upon being satisfied that such defendant is unable by reason of poverty to defray the expense of filing a petition for a writ of certiorari in the Court of Appeals shall sign an order directing that all costs, including but not limited to all court costs, the cost of preparing the transcript of testimony, the cost of preparing and transmitting the record, and the costs of the briefs, appendices and printed record extract necessary in connection with